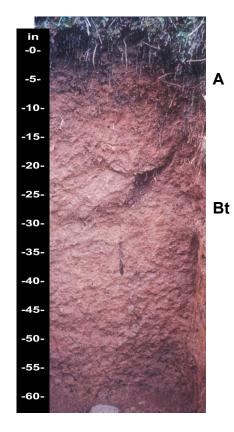
## **OLYMPIC SERIES**



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## Land Resource Region A

Parent material: Residuum and colluvium weathered from basalt

**Extent:** Extensive

**Climate:** Average annual precipitation is about 60 inches, and average annual soil temperature is about 52 degrees F. The marine climate is characterized by cool, dry summers and mild. wet winters.

Depth: 60 or more inches

**Drainage:** Well drained

Average frost-free period: 150 to 200 days

Elevation: 200 to 2,000 feet

Soil order: Ultisols - highly weathered soils with the base elements leached out

Family classification: Fine, mixed, active, mesic Xeric Palehumults

Olympic soils are on tops of foothills and mountains in Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Thurston, and Wahkiakum Counties, Washington. Natural vegetation is Douglas-fir, red alder, western hemlock, western red cedar, and bigleaf maple. Understory is salal, vine maple, western Swordfern, Oregon-grape, western brackenfern, huckleberry and trailing blackberry.

**Uses:** Timber production

**Management considerations:** Steep slopes in some areas impact forest management.

Laboratory data are available form the National Soil Survey Laboratory. Sample Numbers: S72WA-21-1, S72WA-21-2, S72WA-21-3, S84WA-015-001, and S84WA015-006

The official soil series description is online at:

https://soilseries.sc.egov.usda.gov/OSD Docs/O/OLYMPIC.html